In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 07-441V Filed: May 4, 2009 NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

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BARBARA TURNER RODERICK,	*	
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Petitioner,	*	Stipulation; Attorneys' Fees and
	*	Costs
V.	*	
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SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT	*	
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,	*	
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Respondent.	*	
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DECISION

On April 28, 2009, the parties to the above-captioned case filed a Stipulation of Fact concerning attorneys' fees and costs. Stipulation of Fact Concerning Attorneys' Fees and Costs (hereinafter Stip. Fees and Costs), filed April 28, 2009. Petitioner has proceeded *pro se* in this matter, with the assistance of Blackman Legal Group. <u>Id.</u> at 1. Petitioner stated that petitioner agrees that she will not be awarded attorneys' fees because the Blackman Legal Group has not entered an appearance in this matter. <u>Id.</u> Petitioner informally provided respondent with an initial request for costs on January 27, 2009. <u>Id.</u> In response to an objection raised by respondent petitioner amended petitioner's request for a total request of \$2,766.49 in petitioner's costs. <u>Id.</u> In compliance with General Order #9, petitioner filed a statement certifying that she did not incur any out-of-pocket expenses and the expenses incurred were paid by Blackman Legal Group. Stip. Fees and Costs at attachment 2. Respondent does not object to the amended request. <u>Id.</u> at 1.

Accordingly, pursuant to Vaccine Rule 13, petitioner is hereby awarded a **total of \$2,766.49 in petitioner's costs.** The judgment shall reflect that petitioner is awarded \$2,766.49 for her costs in a check made payable jointly to petitioner and the Blackman Legal Group. The court thanks the parties for their cooperative efforts in resolving this matter. The Clerk is directed to enter judgment according to this decision.¹

IT IS SO ORDERED.	
	Gary J. Golkiewicz Chief Special Master

¹ Pursuant to Vaccine Rule 11(a), the parties can expedite entry of judgment by each party filing a notice renouncing the right to seek review by a United States Court of Federal Claims judge.